



# ARMY MEDICINE | DPA SENDS

August 17, 2021

## WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

1. The Army Surgeon General, LTG R. Scott Dingle, "TSG SENDS: COVID-19 and Army Medicine" messages from this week are included for your awareness. Please read!

• **TSG SENDS - COVID-19 and Army Medicine 84 (August 13, 2021)**

COVID-19 Information:

- Army Medicine COVID-19 Hotline: **1-800-984-8523** or **DSN 312-421-3700**
- Army: [www.army.mil/coronavirus](http://www.army.mil/coronavirus)
- APHC: <https://phc.amedd.army.mil/topics/campaigns/covid19>
- CDC Web Page: [www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html)
- DoD Web Page: [www.defense.gov/Explore/Spotlight/Coronavirus](http://www.defense.gov/Explore/Spotlight/Coronavirus)
- Health.mil Web Page: <https://health.mil/News/In-the-Spotlight/Coronavirus>
- TRICARE Web Page: <https://tricare.mil/coronavirus>

## Army Medicine STRATEGIC VISION

### AUGUST OBSERVANCES

[Immunization & Influenza Month](#)

[Antiterrorism Month](#)

[Performance Triad Month](#)

[Coast Guard Birthday](#) - Aug 4

[Purple Heart Day](#) - Aug 7

[Department of Defense Birthday](#) - Aug 10

[Women's Equality Day](#) - Aug 26

## UPCOMING EVENTS

NEW!

## ARMY MEDICINE WEEK IN REVIEW

### ARTICLES

1. BJACH hosts civilian paramedic for demo and comic book discussion (August 13) [www.dvidshub.net/news/403153/bjach-hosts-civilian-paramedic-demo-and-comic-book-discussion](http://www.dvidshub.net/news/403153/bjach-hosts-civilian-paramedic-demo-and-comic-book-discussion)
2. Army Nurse Summer Training Program offers cadets new experiences (August 12) [www.dvidshub.net/news/403067/army-nurse-summer-training-program-offers-cadets-new-experiences](http://www.dvidshub.net/news/403067/army-nurse-summer-training-program-offers-cadets-new-experiences)
3. New Southwest Kentucky Market strengthens DoD's medical readiness while supporting high quality healthcare (August 11) [www.dvidshub.net/news/402863/new-southwest-kentucky-market-strengthens-dods-medical-readiness-while-supporting-high-quality-healthcare](http://www.dvidshub.net/news/402863/new-southwest-kentucky-market-strengthens-dods-medical-readiness-while-supporting-high-quality-healthcare)

### VIDEOS

1. National Immunization Awareness Month PSA (August 6) [www.dvidshub.net/video/810284/national-immunization-awareness-month-psa](http://www.dvidshub.net/video/810284/national-immunization-awareness-month-psa)
2. National Airborne Day (August 2) [www.dvidshub.net/video/809785/national-airborne-day](http://www.dvidshub.net/video/809785/national-airborne-day)
3. The Department of Defense Anniversary (August 2) [www.dvidshub.net/video/809783/departement-defense-anniversary](http://www.dvidshub.net/video/809783/departement-defense-anniversary)

**NEW!**

# Resilient Leader Webinar

## 8/19/2021 13:30 EDT

# RESILIENCE

Presented by Dr. Victor Marx  
For Army Medicine Personnel

[Click here to join](#)

### MEDCOM Resilient Leader Webinar

The Surgeon General and Commanding General, United States Army Medical Command (USA MEDCOM), requests the pleasure of your participation in the USA Resilient Leader Webinar. This month, Dr. Victor Marx is presenting "Resilience", for Army Medicine Personnel on Thursday, 19th of August at 1330 EDT. (please plan to connect to the meeting link 10-mins prior to the starting time). This live stream supports The Surgeon General's Line of Effort 2, "Readiness". Please save the date and join together for a time of community building.

*"How resilient are you? No matter where you would rank yourself on a resilience scale, every one of us can always improve. Resilience is not the absence of challenges but pushing through them. Life will always present challenges, Dr. Victor Marx, a trauma survivor, warrior, and inspirational speaker will help us build resilience to meet those challenges. Please tune in for 'Resilience' on 19th of August for the next iteration of the Resilient Leader Webinar."*

To view the invitation for this virtual event, please click the link below:

<https://einvitations.afit.edu/inv/anim.cfm?i=611044&k=046043097F53>

If you are having difficulty locating the above invitation, please copy and paste this address into your web browser:

<https://www.zoomgov.com/j/1618776892?pwd=ZnIFUkhNWG5iTGdMWk9FTlI2b1Q4QT09>

Meeting ID: 161 877 6892 Passcode: RLW

Once you open up the ZoomGov, Click "Launch Meeting" and "Join from Your Browser".

Important: Some versions of Internet Explorer, Safari and Edge may not recognize the certificates for government sites; they will display a message with a certificate error that does not recommend that you proceed to the site. Please know that this is a safe and secure government website, and you can confidently proceed to the site even though you may receive this error message.

If you have any issues viewing this invitation, please contact Mr. Taegon Jay Lee at (708) 833-2115 or [taegon.lee.ctr@mail.mil](mailto:taegon.lee.ctr@mail.mil)  
MEDCOM Resilient Leader Series point of contact is COL (CH) Ron Cooper at (210) 466-5991 or [ronald.e.cooper10.mil@mail.mil](mailto:ronald.e.cooper10.mil@mail.mil)

Army Medicine Family,

As we continue to fight COVID-19, the Army is focused is on the readiness of our force to serve the Nation and deploy when called upon. With a new COVID-19 variant, the vaccines continue to be our greatest weapon against this threat. The Secretary of Defense has announced his intention to mandate that all service members receive the COVID-19 vaccine. We have begun the planning for implementation in order to be ready once the Secretary signs the directive.

The health of the Force is our highest priority and I stand with our leaders. I encourage our MEDCOM leaders to continue to lead by example and get the COVID-19 vaccination if you have not already done so. Continue to talk to your teams about this coming mandate and the importance of vaccines. Continue social distancing, wear your mask, wash your hand, and use sanitizer. These last efforts, along with the flu vaccine, will also help protect you in the coming flu season.

Last week, we hosted retired CSM Tabitha Gavia as the speaker for our Leadership Lecture Series. Her leadership topics included accountability, mentoring, and getting the most out of your subordinates. She served 33 years as a leader and mentor and is one of the finest NCOs to ever serve in the Army. I sincerely thank her for sharing her insights and experiences with us. If you are able please join us for our next Leadership Lecture Series event.

Also, the MEDCOM Chaplain team continues to host Resilient Leader Webinars. This month, Dr. Victor Marx is discussing resilience on August 19, at 1:30 p.m. EDT. Please join us and RSVP at: <https://einvitations.afit.edu/inv/anim.cfm?i=611044&k=046043097F53>.

Retired SFC Richard Kling is joining us this week in the employee spotlight. Enjoy getting to know a little bit more about him.

### Employee Spotlight



Richard Kling is a Protocol Specialist for the Office of the Surgeon General/U.S. Army Medical Command. He's responsible for advising the Executive Services Director on protocol matters in support of MEDCOM general officers, as well as the Deputy Chief of Staff.

Events include promotion ceremonies, retirement events, changes of command, and leader forums. Visitors can be guests from the White House, Congress, Department of Defense, Department of the Army, foreign dignitaries, or other distinguished visitors.

Richard is a retired SFC and has been with Army Medicine his entire adult life. He joined the Army in 1991 as a 91A; later a 91B; and finally a 68W. All of those designators have identified the Army Combat Medic, the only military occupational specialty Richard held during his service.

Of his 25 years of service in uniform, Richard counts his most rewarding assignment as his time as an advanced individual training platoon sergeant. "I was one of the first platoon sergeants at E-232 after they stopped using drill sergeants at the MOS schools (at Fort Sam Houston)," he said. "It was just very rewarding to be a part of training, motivating, and instilling pride into new Soldiers."

Richard is a native of Kenmore, New York, which is near Buffalo. He's been married to Gilda Kling for 25 years, and they have three sons, two grandchildren, and a grandson due on Halloween. Their youngest son is finishing up high school.

Richard said that he and his oldest son spend just about every Saturday in the garage where they are doing their version of

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MTV's "Pimp My Ride." "Literally, every Saturday,' he said, 'We have five Mustangs in the family. We are constantly working on our cars."

Richard also enjoys his work as a board member for the Fort Sam Houston Independent School district where lately he's been particularly involved with the district's "Limitless Learning" initiative and operations amid the COVID-19 pandemic.

"My driving philosophy,' said Richard, 'is that every day is a good day when you're above ground. There's nothing to be mad about."

Richard, thank you for all you do. We appreciate your lifelong service to Army Medicine.

Team, take precautions. Stay safe, you are an important part of Army Medicine. Thank you all for what you do!

Army Medicine is Army Strong!

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### Useful links:

<https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/daily-life-coping/holidays.html>

<https://www.armyemergencyrelief.org/covid19>

[www.militaryonesource.mil/coronavirus](http://www.militaryonesource.mil/coronavirus)

[www.coronavirus.gov](http://www.coronavirus.gov)

[www.cdc.gov/coronavirus](http://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus)

[www.usa.gov/coronavirus](http://www.usa.gov/coronavirus)

### Chaplain Resilience Video:

[www.facebook.com/ArmyChaplainCorps/videos/2679539028980334](https://www.facebook.com/ArmyChaplainCorps/videos/2679539028980334)